

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH BROOKINGS

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*Welcome to worship at First Lutheran!
As we encounter God's Word and respond with prayer and praise,
may this gathering be for you a holy time of grace, inspiration, and renewal.
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We're glad you're here!*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *What Wondrous Love Is This* arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Handbell Choir with Jenny Martens, Flautist

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

**In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,**

things we have done and things we have failed to do.

**Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

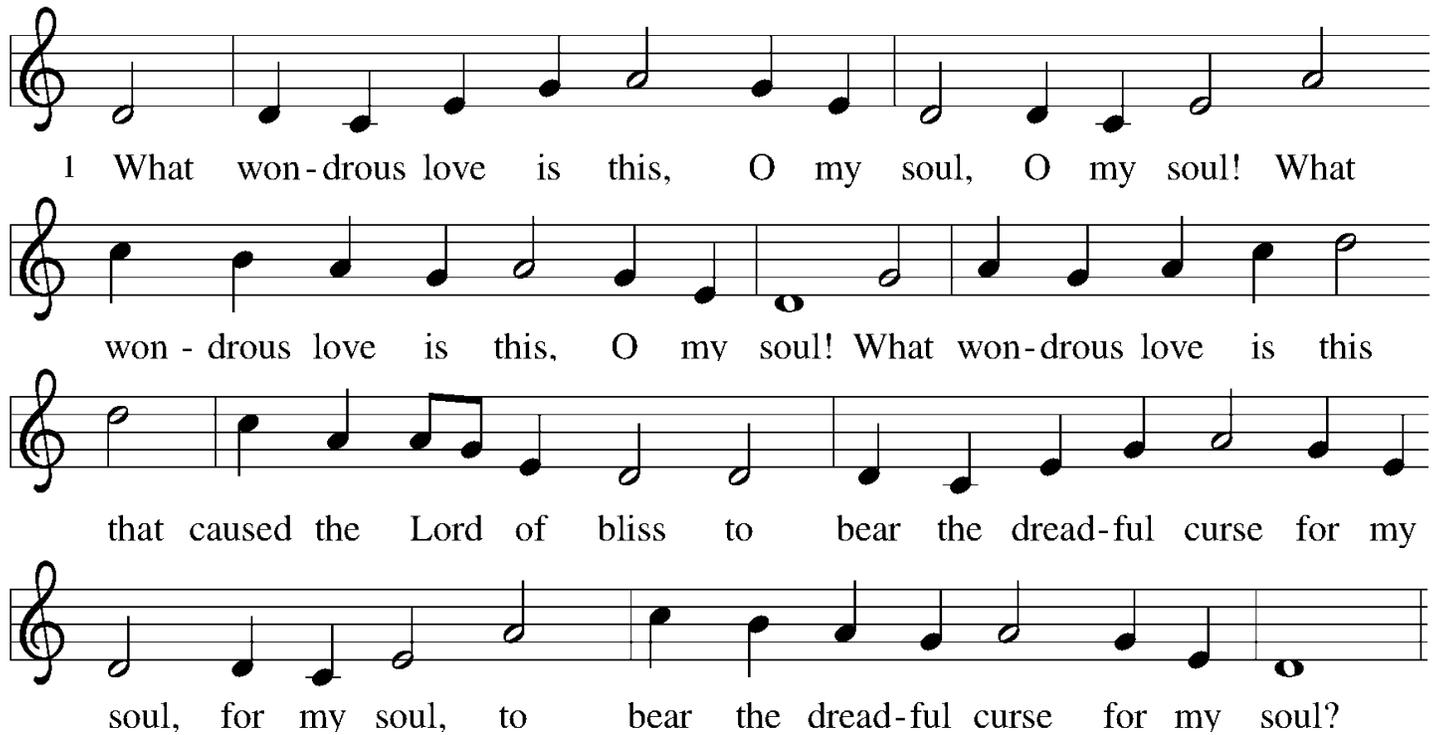
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy...that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN*What Wonderful Love Is This*

ELW 666



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE (x2)

ELW 154



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

Music: *Mass No. 1*, Avon Gillespie

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.... **Amen.**

READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 130

1 Out of the depths

I cry to you, O Lord;

2 O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

3 If you were to keep watch over sins,

O Lord, who could stand?

4 Yet with you is forgiveness,

in order that you may be feared.

5 I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits;

in your word is my hope.

6 My soul waits for the Lord

more than those who keep watch for the morning,

more than those who keep watch for the morning.

7 O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love;

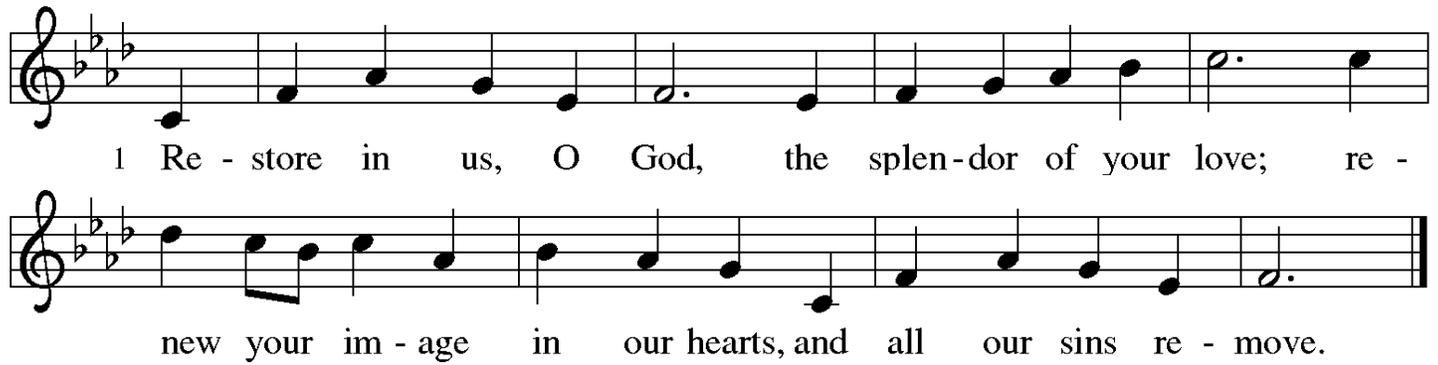
with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.

8 For the Lord shall redeem Israel

from all their sins.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen - dor of your love; re -
new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.

GOSPEL: John 11:1-45

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
 4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
 still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
 As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crating to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
 by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
 stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
 that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**...Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.
...through Jesus Christ, our strength and salvation. Amen.**

PEACE

**The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.**

OFFERING

Wondrous Love
Sanctuary Choir

arr. Shaw/Park

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Jesus Lives, My Sure Defense

ELW 621
TUNE 414

Jesus lives, my sure defense and my everlasting Savior!
Knowing this, my confidence rests in hope and will not waver,
though the night of death be fraught still with many an anxious thought.

Jesus, my redeemer, lives; I too unto life shall waken.
Bright the hope this promise gives; shall my courage, then, be shaken?
Shall I fear then? Can the head rise and leave the members dead?

No, too closely am I bound unto him by hope forever;
faith's strong hand the rock has found, grasped it, and will leave it never;
even death now cannot part from its Lord the trusting heart.

I am flesh and must return unto dust, whence I am taken.
But these eyes my Lord will know when from death I shall awaken,
with my Savior to abide in his glory, at his side.

Text: Otto von Schwerin, 1616–1679; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.

Music: Jesus, MEINE ZUVERSICHT, attr. Johann Cru. ger, 1598–1662

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship Today
Pastor Jess Daum and Pastor Trey Daum
Randy Richards, Reader
Mary Ermel, Organist
Don Norton, Cantor
Barbara Horten, Handbell Choir Director
Pat Anderson, Sanctuary Choir Director

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